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## **BUREAU OF CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION**

### **Academic Research Council Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), this notice sets forth the announcement of a public meeting of the Academic Research Council (ARC or Council) of the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection (Bureau). The notice also describes the functions of the Council.

**DATES:** The meeting date is Friday, March 13, 2020, from approximately 10:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. eastern daylight time.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting location is the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, 1700 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20552.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kim George, Outreach and Engagement Associate, at 202-435-7884, or [CFPB\\_CABandCouncilsEvents@cfpb.gov](mailto:CFPB_CABandCouncilsEvents@cfpb.gov). If you require this document in an alternative electronic format, please contact [CFPB\\_Accessibility@cfpb.gov](mailto:CFPB_Accessibility@cfpb.gov).

### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### **I. Background**

Section 2 of the of the ARC Charter provides that pursuant to the executive and administrative powers conferred on the Bureau by section 1012 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (Dodd-Frank Act), the Director established the Academic Research Council under agency authority. Section 3 of the ARC Charter states: The committee will (1) provide the Bureau with advice about its strategic research planning process and research

agenda, including views on the research that the Bureau should conduct relating to consumer financial products or services, consumer behavior, cost-benefit analysis, or other topics to enable the agency to further its statutory purposes and objectives; and (2) provide the Office of Research with technical advice and feedback on research methodologies, data collection strategies, and methods of analysis, including methodologies and strategies for quantifying the costs and benefits of regulatory actions.

## **II. Agenda**

The ARC will discuss methodology, direction for consumer finance research, and broad policy matters related to the Bureau's Unified Regulatory Agenda and general scope of authority.

Persons who need a reasonable accommodation to participate should contact *CFPB\_504Request@cfpb.gov*, 202-435-9EEO, 1-855-233-0362, or 202-435-9742 (TTY) at least ten (10) business days prior to the meeting or event to request assistance. The request must identify the date, time, location, and title of the meeting or event, the nature of the assistance requested, and contact information for the requester. The Bureau will strive to provide but cannot guarantee that accommodation will be provided for late requests.

Written comments will be accepted from interested members of the public and should be sent to *CFPB\_CABandCouncilsEvents@cfpb.gov*, a minimum of seven (7) days in advance of the meeting. The comments will be provided to the ARC members for consideration.

Individuals who wish to join the ARC must RSVP via this link

*[https://surveys.consumerfinance.gov/jfe/form/SV\\_6VAGaBjeOep2G8d](https://surveys.consumerfinance.gov/jfe/form/SV_6VAGaBjeOep2G8d)* by noon, March 12, 2020. Members of the public must RSVP by the due date.

## **III. Availability**

The Council's agenda will be made available to the public on Thursday, March 12, 2020, via [consumerfinance.gov](https://consumerfinance.gov). Individuals should express in their RSVP if they require a paper copy of the agenda.

A recording and transcript of this meeting will be available after the meeting on the Bureau's website [consumerfinance.gov](https://consumerfinance.gov).

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